BUSHBURY

Bushbury [Seisdon] *(St Mary) {Vicarage}*

From 1641 to ?1692 Bushbury was apparently in the patronage of Walter Grosvenor of Bushbury esquire c1611-?1692.

In 16-- the ministerial salary of about £ pa was to be augmented by about £. In Jan 1661.2 a clerical subsidy of xx was paid.

In 1665 the parish contained three townships - Bushbury, Essington and Moseley - which lay in two constablewicks - Bushbury-cum-Moseley and Essington.

1641-1644

1631-1644	Hamlet Bourne c1595-....	vicar	[?] Walter Grosvenor c1611-?1692	continued

Intrusion 1644-1660

1644	Hamlet Bourne c1595-....	compliant minister		nk
1646-1660	William Chandler c1605-1684	compliant minister	Walter Grosvenor c1611-?1692	continued

1660-1665

1660-1684	William Chandler c1605-1684	vicar		died

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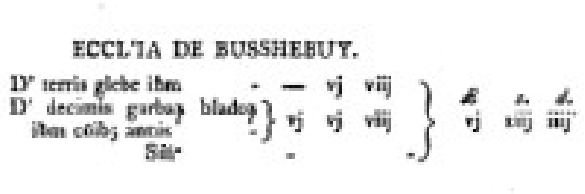

ECCL'IA DE BUSSHEBUT.

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Bushbury [Seisdon] MANOR 7.3 12.19 22 (1086); 1332s; PARISH (1532); ♦VICARAGE; PRGR 1662+
- Royal Peculiar of Wolverhampton
Districts: Essington [Cuttlestone], Moseley, Oldfallings, Oxley, Seawall

Church dedication is fully "assumption of the blessed virgin"

Bushbury *(St Mary)* was a vicarage in the patronage of Walter Grosvenor of Bushbury, Staffs Esquire c1611-?1692 who may have presented William Chandler c1605-1684 as vicar about 1662 (having previously been presbyterian minister). The parish contained three townships - Bushbury, Essington and Moseley - which lay in two constablewicks - Bushbury-cum-Moseley and Essington.

Separate parishes were formed at Oxley in 1832 and at Essington in 1933.

In **1932** the conventional district of **OXLEY** was formed from a part of **BUSHBURY**. In **1953** it became a parish.

New parishes, new churches

By the early 1920s the population of the parish had grown to such an extent that the old ecclesiastical parish of 'Bushbury with Essington' was far too large, and it was therefore divided. A new church of St. John the Evangelist was built at Essington and consecrated in 1933. St. Aidan's Mission Room at Newtown had been opened in 1931.

Also in Bushbury parish itself, new church accommodation was urgently needed for the ever expanding population. In 1929 the Mission of the Good Shepherd was built in Second Avenue in Low Hill. A timber framed building clad with asbestos, it did sterling service both as church and mission room for social occasions until it was destroyed by fire in 1946.

In 1932 the Church of the Epiphany was built on Stafford Road at Oxley, and another separate parish established out of the area served by the mother church.

Vicars

►**Ralph Purce e1196-....** **c1236**
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (in office) c1236

►**Roger Bushbury c1245-....** **c1300**
[? b c1245 *perhaps son of Robert Bushbury (lord of Bushbury, Staffs) c1217-....]*
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) c1300

►**Hugh Bushbury c1280-....** **1316**
[? b c1280 *perhaps son of Ralph Bushbury (lord of Bushbury, Staffs) c1240-p1285]*
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1316

In the Transactions of the Birmingham Archeological Society Vol. 69 1952, S. A. Jeavons F. S. A. describes: "A priest c.1350. The effigy lies under an arched recess in the north wall of the chancel and is badly worn. No features are visible but the tonsure can be seen. He lies with his head resting upon a cushion. The amice is still visible and below the chasuble is seen the dalmatic and alb, while the feet rest upon a rounded projection from the end of the slab." This is presumably the effigy of Hugh de Byshbury, which was outside the church until the late eighteenth century. [INTERNET]

►**William Sheppeye e1298-....** **1338**
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1338

►**William Werlescroft c1329-....** **1369-1397**
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (in office) 1369-1397 [Old Fallings deeds from Paget family in Wolverhampton R.L.]

►**John Alleyn e1370-....** **1410**
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1410

►**William Ferrour e1430-....** **c1474**
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (in office in the period) 1470-7 [SHC 1910 158]

►**Henry Slaney c1489-1546** **a1529-1546**
Will (...) 15 Mar 1545.6
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) a1529-d
- (in office) 1529
- (owed £2 by St Thomas Priory) 1538

►**Richard Edwards c1516-?1581** **1546-1558**
[? d a28 Apr 1581]
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 7 May 1546-1558
- (presented by John Ottley gentleman *qua* executor of Geoffrey Blyth D.D.)
- (instituted) 7 May 1546

- (subscribed) 1559
(Rector, Walton-upon-Trent, Derbys) 15 Jan 1557.8-?d
- (presented by Robert Banester & Thomas Edwards *pro* Sir John Ferrers of Tamworth Castle, Warwicks Knight c1527-1576) [see COX III 507]
- (instituted) 15 Jan 1557.8
- (in office) 13 Jun 1573 & 30 Sep 1579
- (replaced in office) a1586
(Prebendary, Lichfield Pipa Parva) 1563-?d
- (collated) 4 Jun 1563 [PRO E331 COV/2]
- (replaced in office) 28 Apr 1581

►Richard Wilson c1531-?1568 **1558-?1568**
d a20 Mar 1567.8 [?1569]
[? (matriculated from St John's, Cambridge) Easter 1549] [VENN]
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 4 May 1558-d
- (presented by Brian Fowler of St Thomas by Stafford Esquire c1520-1587)
- (as Chaplain, instituted) 4 May 1558
- (subscribed) 1559

►Francis Colley c1539-1626 **?1568-1626**
m ....
d 22 Aug 1626; i *as "clerk, for 38 years, Vicar of Busbury"* 24 Aug 1626 Bushbury; M.I. [OLIVER 41] [below]; Will *of Francis Colly, Clerk and Vicar of Bushbury, Staffordshire* (PCC) 26 Oct 1626
(ordained priest by Lichfield, Thomas Bentham, in office) 1559-79
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 20 Mar 1567.8 [?1569]-d
- (presented by James Fowler of Pendeford in Tettenhall, Staffs gentleman c1525-1585)
- (instituted) 20 Mar 1567.8 [?1569]
- ("Scholaris ruralis et mediocriter doctus. No preacher, a mere wordling.") 1604
(his will suggests he was fairly wealthy at death)
chn: John Colley [? c 25 Jan 1578.9 Bushbury]; d *young* 15 Mar 1593; i Bushbury; M.I. [below]

A. Oliver, writing in "The incised effigies of Staffordshire" 1913, has this to say: Bushbury: Francis Colley 1626. Chancel. Half effigy in a gown with full sleeves; much worn and the inscription nearly obliterated. Verses below the effigy not decipherable except for a few words: "Here lyeth the body of Francis Colley Clarke which lived 38 [recte, 58] years near this place, who dyed the 22nd August and was buried the 24th August 1626. He gave to the poor of Bushbury and Brewood £3-6s-8d yearly for ever. And he gave £10 towards a bell." An article in the Express and Star, 18th September 1925, refers to the epitaph of John Colley, the infant son of Francis Colley, the vicar of Bushbury from 1567/8 to 1626. John died on 15th March 1593 and was buried in the chancel. The article records the epitaph as reading: Loe, here an ymp of tender age / Whose body was scarce out-blowne; / But cut off as soon as does appear / Before his deeds were knowne. / Who should have been by succession / His father's sonne and heire; / As now by God's permission, / Enjoyeth the heavenly quire. [INTERNET]

... the vicar, Francis Colley, whose extremely long life was commemorated, together with that of Thomas Leacroft, one of his parishioners, by the gift of a bell to the church in 1619. In 1625, the year before he died, he endowed a charity to the poor of the parish of £1-13s-4d per annum, from the rent of a cottage and land. Thomas Leacroft had established a similar fund in 1624. [INTERNET]

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►Samuel Smith c1596-.... **1626-1631**
*** *Entry might confuse men of the same name*
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 15 Sep 1626-a 17 Sep 1631
- (presented by Jonas Grosvenor of Bushbury, Staffs Esquire c1554-1637 & Richard Lee clerk c1589-a1650 [SCD])
- (instituted) 15 Sep 1626
(Preacher, Smethcott, Salop)
- (appointed at Smethcott "& throughout diocese") 3 Apr 1632

(Stipendiary Curate, Sutton Coldfield, Warwicks)
- (in office) 3 Apr 1639
(Vicar/Minister, Penn, Staffs) ?1641-?1644
- (said to have been appointed) 1641
- (?ejected/resigned) ?1644
- (had "left or relinquished") a16 Dec 1646 [1915]
(Minister, Kinver, Staffs)
- (The committee for plundered ministers granted him £25 pa from the impropriate tithes of the collegiate church of Penkridge sequestered from Sir Edw Littleton bart delinquent) 21 May 1652

Hamlet Bourne M.A. (vicar of Bushbury) c1595-....
Bourne, born about 1595, is of unknown parentage. He was educated at Wolverhampton Grammar School and studied at Oxford where on 22 May 1612 he was a commoner at Queen's College and matriculated. At Oxford he graduated B.A. on 5 Jul 1616 (M.A., St Edmund Hall, 7 Jul 1619). He was ordained deacon in Mar 1617 and priest on 12 Mar 1620 (both) by Oxford. By 1620 he was in office as stipendiary curate of Darlaston. On 17 Sep 1631 after possible presentation by Jonas Grosvenor of Bushbury esquire c1554-1637 he was instituted vicar of Bushbury. He may have been presented again by the Crown on 9 Jul 1633. He was still in office in 1639. From 5 Feb 1643.4 he may have continued here as *compliant* minister and is said to have paid 3/9 in support of the royalist garrison at Dudley Castle in May 1644. No further record has been discovered. Bourne may not have married.

Hamlet Bourne (vicar of Bushbury, Staffs) c1595-.... 1631-1644
b c1595 [XFMP] of unknown parentage
m [XFMP]
d [X FMP]; Will [X Lichfield/PCC]
(educated at Wolverhampton Grammar School)
(aged 17, as commoner, matriculated from Queen's, Oxford) 22 May 1612 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 5 Jul 1616
(ordained deacon by Oxford) 15 OR 16 Mar 1617
(M.A., St Edmund Hall) 7 Jul 1619
(ordained priest by Oxford) 12 Mar 1620
[? (Schoolmaster, Brewood, Staffs)[[no source ??????????]
(stipendiary curate, Darlaston St Lawrence, Staffs) 1620
- (in office) 1620
(vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 17 Sep 1631-a7 Aug 1646
- (as M.A., instituted) 17 Sep 1631
- (possibly presented by Jonas Grosvenor of Bushbury esquire c1554-1637)
- (as M.A., presented by the Crown) 9 Jul 1633
- (in office) 1639
- (as Vicar, paid 3/9 to Dudley Garrison) 1644 [below]]
- (William Chandler instituted) 7 Aug 1646
~~(vicar, Kingsbury, Warwicks~~) [CCEd, mistake for Bushbury ??????]
~~- (as M.A., appointed) 17 Sep 1631~~
~~- (Samuel Hodgkinson, appointed vicar) 3 Apr 1639~~

(1644) The Royalist garrison at Dudley Castle collected their funds from all members of the community. The commander Thomas Leveson writes to the Constable of Bushbury Thomas Huntbach: ... For the month of May 1644 the Constable raised £14-1s-6d plus a further 39s for the provision of hay, oats and carriages. Contributions ranged from Walter Grosvenor for his land 30s, Mr. Burne the Vicar 3s-9d, Elston Hall Mill 30s, Gorsebrook Mill 3s-9d, down to Widow Phillips 7d. [www. historywebsite .co.uk/articles/bushbury/17thcent.htm, no source quoted]
(1915) 7 Bourne. M.A. 1619 Oxford (Foster). [1915 p46]

Chandler, born about 1605 (probably that William son of William Chandler of Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwicks "gentleman" who studied at Oxford and on 23 Jan 1623.4 was a student at St John's College and matriculated but is not known to have graduated). He was ordained deacon and on 1 (or 10) Mar 1628.9 ordained priest by Lichfield. On 13 Jul 1632 after presentation by the prebendary of Brewood *then* Augustine Lindsell (dean of Lichfield) c1575-1634 he was instituted vicar of Brewood. On 22 May 1635 he was licensed as a preacher by Lichfield. From 5 Feb 1643.4 he continued here as *compliant* minister but had resigned before 1 Jul 1646. On 7 Aug 1646 after presentation by Walter Grosvenor of Bushbury esquire c1584-c1656 he was appointed *compliant* minister of Bushbury. In early Jun 1660 he continued here as *de jure* vicar and, by *An act for the confirming and restoring of ministers* (13 Sep 1660), was confirmed in office. He subscribed to *The act of uniformity* on 12 Aug 1662. In 1665 the vicarage was valued at £20 pa. In 1665 he certified the hearth tax for Bushbury-cum-Moseley and Essington constablewicks and was assessed on 2 hearths at Bushbury township. About 1679 he was appointed prebendary of Wolverhampton Monmore. Still in both offices he died, aged about 79, and was buried on 26 May 1684 at Bushbury. Chandler probably married about 1630 to a woman by whom he may have had 1 son and 3 daughters.

►William Chandler (Vicar of Bushbury, Staffs) c1605-1684 **1646**
[? b c1605 *son of William Chandler of Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwicks "gentleman"]*
i 26 May 1684 Bushbury; Will NOT FOUND

m e1630 ----- -----
chn:
Mary Chandler i 31 May 1638
John Chandler c 18 Jun 1640 Brewood
Elizabeth Chandler c Sep 1642 Brewood; i 23 Apr 1644 Brewood
?Elizabeth OR Ann Chandler c 16 Feb 1644.5 Brewood

[? (aged 19, as son of William Chandler of Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwicks pleb., matriculated from St John's, Oxford) 23 Jan 1623.4]
(as Mr., ordained priest by Lichfield) 10 Mar 1628.9 [CCEd has 10 Mar but 1 Mar was ordination day]
(Vicar, Brewood, Staffs) 13 Jul 1632-a1 Jul 1646
- (presented by Augustine Lindsell c1575-1634 *qua* Dean of Lichfield Cathedral *thus* Prebendary of Brewood)
- (instituted) 13 Jul 1632
(licensed as a preacher by Lichfield) 22 May 1635
(Presbyterian Minister, Brewood, Staffs)
- (probably continued as compliant presbyterian minister)
- (replaced at Brewood) 1 Jul 1646
(Presbyterian Minister, Bushbury, Staffs) 7 Aug 1646
- (presented by Walter Grosvenor of Bushbury, Staffs Esquire c1584-c1656)
- (order to institute and induct) 4 Aug 1646
- (instituted) 7 Aug 1646
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (paid a subsidy of 13/0) Jan 1661.2
- (subscribed to the Act of Uniformity) 12 Aug 1662
- (as Mr., in office) 24 Sep 1662
- (as Minister, certified hearth tax for Bushbury-cum-Moseley and Essington constablewicks and was assessed on 2 hearths at Bushbury township) 1665 [1666 HT]
- (as Mr., "he was also a licensed preacher. Vicarage valued at £20 pa. He gave 6/8 to Lichfield Cathedral and the parish £5/13/4") 4 Aug 1665
- (in office) 17 Nov 1676
(**Prebendary, Wolverhampton Monmore, Staffs**)
- (in office) c1679-84

4 August 1646 -- Application for an order for Dr. Aylett to institute and induct Wm. Chandler to the vicarage of Bushbury, in the county of Stafford. [Lords Journals, VIII. 451]
(Wolverhampton) This undated list of prebends must be of the period c1679-84 "A dean and seven prebends, Kynvaston, Mr Andrew Durell [appointed 1679 [VCH], succeded 1684 [1915]]; Fetherstone, Mr Isaac Addey; Hylton, Dr John Hinckley; Willenhall, Mr Fullam; Monmore, Mr William Chandler; Wobaston, Mr Thomas Allestry; the Official or Chancellor; and Hatherton, Mr Fisher". [SHAW II 155]

William Peake (Vicar of Bushbury, Staffs) c1657-1691 **1684-1691**
b c1657 Audley *3rd son of John Peake of Elnor [?Ellenhall in Seighford], Staffs farme*r
m 11 Nov 1686 Ludlow: Elizabeth Persehouse (ALIAS Parkhouse) dau of Edward Persehouse (ALIAS Parkhouse) of Lower Gornal in Sedgley, Staffs gentleman c1611-1685; c 7 Jun 1664 Sedgley; [? m2 ..... Burches]
i 17 Jan 1691 Bushbury; Will *of Bushbury clerk* (Lichfield) 6 Aug 1692
(aged 18, admitted scholar at Sidney, Cambridge) 15 May 1675 [VENN]
(matriculated) 1675
(B.A.) 1678.9
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 21 May 1679
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 20 Sep 1679
(Parochial Curate, Horton, Staffs)
- (in office) 1679 [HUTCHINSON (1893) 89]
(M.A.) 1682
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 29 May 1684-d
- (presented by William Peake gentleman)
- (admitted) 29 May 1684

►**Bernard Gilpin (Vicar of Bushbury, Staffs) 1668-1726** **....-1693**
c 21 Feb 1667.8 Wolverhampton St Peter *son of Thomas Gilpin (P.C. of Willenhall, Staffs) c1621-.... **[SCD]***
d a18 Jul 1726; Will *as Rector of Warmington, Warwickshire* (PCC) 7 Apr 1727
(aged 17, son of Thomas Gilpin of Tettenhall, Staffs clerk, matriculated from Trinity, Oxford) 23 Apr 1686 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 11 Feb 1689.90
(ordained deacon by Oxford) 20 Sep 1691
(M.A.) 1692
(ordained priest by Oxford) 8 May 1692
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) ....-a24 Aug 1693
(Rector, Warmington, Warwicks) 22 Apr 1697-d
- (presented by Thomas Farrer gentleman)
- (admitted) 22 Apr 1697
(Rector, Fringford, Oxon) 1 Feb 1698-d
- (presented by Lord Fulke Brooke)
- (instituted) 1 Feb 1698

►**Thomas Hall c1671-1729** **1693-?1729**
b c1671 *son of Thomas Hall of Stourbridge, Worcs commoner*
i 16 Sep 1729 Wolverhampton
(aged 17, matriculated from Magdalen Hall, Oxford) 30 Mar 1688 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1691
(ordained deacon by Oxford) 12 Mar 1693
(ordained priest by Oxford) 11 Jun 1693
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 24 Aug 1693-?d
- (presented by Jonas Grosvenor of Bushbury, Staffs Esquire c1636-c1698)
- (admitted) 24 Aug 1693
[? (**Prebendary, Wolverhampton -----, Staffs**)]

►**Seth Shepherd ?1676-1748** **1729-1748**
[? c 5 Sep 1676 Bridgnorth St Leonard *son of Thomas Shepherd and Mary (.....)*]
d a12 Feb 1748
(not found) [FOSTER]/[VENN]
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 20 Sep 1702
(Curate, Bobbington, Salop)
- (in office) 6 Jun 1728 & 16 Jun 1747
(Vicar, Shifnal, Salop) 7 Sep 1728-a3 Jul 1729
- (presented by Sir Humphrey Brigges of Haughton in Shifnal, Salop 4th Baronet 1670-1734)
- (instituted) 7 Sep 1728
- (appointed) 10 Sep 1728
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 17 Sep 1729-d
- (appointed) 17 Sep 1729

►Richard Nocke ?1714-1757 **1748-1757**
[? c 20 Apr 1714 Worfield *son of John Nocke and Margery (.....)]*
b c1714 *son of John Nocke of Oldington, Salop commoner*
d *of a dropsy* 16 May 1757 Bushbury; i 18 May 1757 Bushbury
(aged 19, matriculated from Pembroke, Oxford) 8 May 1733 [FOSTER]
(ordained deacon by Hereford) Oct 1736
(B.A.) 3 Mar 1737.8
(ordained priest by Hereford) 6 Aug 1738
(Stipendiary Curate, Sutton Maddock, Salop) 15 Oct 1739-30 Oct 1740
- (subscribed on appointment) 15 Oct 1739
(Stipendiary Curate, Gnosall, Staffs) 30 Oct 1740
- (removed from Sutton Maddock to Gnosall) 30 Oct 1740
- (in office) 24 Jun 1741 & 3 Aug 1743
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 12 Feb 1748-d
- (subscribed on appointment) 12 Feb 1748
[? **(Perpetual Curate, Wednesfield St Thomas, Staffs)** 1751-?d [BOARD IN CHURCH]]

16 May 1757 - On this day died of a dropsy at Bushbury of which parish he had been Vicar about nine years the Revd. Richard Nock, Clerk. He was about forty five years of age. [Edward Best's notes in BILSTON PR]

►Jeremiah Whitehouse c1707-1762 **1757-1762**
b c1707 [X IGI] *son of Edward Whitehouse of Wolverhampton, Staffs*
d a26 Nov 1762
(aged 19, matriculated from Pembroke, Oxford) 26 May 1726 [FOSTER]
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 23 Sep 1733
(Stipendiary Curate, Boningale, Salop)
- (subscribed on appointment) 24 Sep 1733
(Stipendiary Curate, Bridgnorth St Mary Magdalen, Salop)
- (presented by Thomas Whitmore Esquire)
- (licenced) 14 May 1743
(Surrogate to the Official, Brignorth Peculiar)
- (appointed) 26 May 1753
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 20 Jun 1757-d
- (presented by Richard Cavendish Esquire)
- (instituted) 20 Jun 1757

►Thomas Fletcher (Vicar of Bushbury, Staffs) c1732-1800 **1762-1800**
c 21 Dec 1730 Tutbury *son of John Fletcher (Vicar of Tutbury, Staffs) 1696-1767* ***[SCD]***
i 1 Feb 1800 Tutbury
(aged 19, matriculated from Pembroke, Oxford) 13 Dec 1751 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1755
(ordained deacon by Lichfield, to title of Alrewas) 23 Jun 1753
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 19 Sep 1756
(Stipendiary Curate, Alrewas, Staffs) 20 Sep 1756
- (appointed) 20 Sep 1756
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 26 Nov 1762-d
- (presented by Richard Cavendish Esquire)
- (instituted) 26 Nov 1762

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►John Clare c1765-1838 **1811-1838**
b c1765 *son of Timothy Clare of Bewdley, Worcs gentleman*
m Mary .....
d 11 Jul 1838 "The Deanery", Wolverhampton; i 16 Jul 1838 Bushbury
(aged 15, matriculated from Worcester, Oxford) 27 Jun 1780 [FOSTER]

(B.A.) 1784
(M.A.) 1787
(ordained deacon by Oxford) 3 Jun 1787
(Afternoon Lecturer/Public Preacher, Wolverhampton St Peter, Staffs)
17 Mar 1789-a29 Apr 1799
- (licenced) 17 Mar 1789
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 11 May 1793-16 Jun 1800
- (licenced) 11 May 1793
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 20 May 1798
[? **(Stipendiary Curate, Pattingham, Staffs)** c1800
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 16 Jun 1800-d
- (presented by Henry Vernon; Thomas Henry Francis Whitgreave; Richard Phillips; John Underhill; William Forster; Lewis Clutterbuck; Katherine Horton; Thomas Green; John Corsor & John Hordern)
- (instituted) 16 Jun 1800
- (signed return regarding education of the poor) [PARL (1818)]
(Perpetual Curate, Wednesfield St Thomas, Staffs) 5 Jul 1811-d
- (presented by John Gough)
- (licenced) 5 Jul 1811
(J.P.)
(Deputy Chairman, Stafford Sessions) c1818-38
- (resigned) 1838
chn: George Boodle Clare b Pattingham; c 13 Feb 1799 Bushbury **[SCD]**

July 11, 1838. At the Deanery, Wolverhampton, at an advanced age, the Rev. John Clare, Vicar of Bushbury and Perpetual Curate of Wednesfield, and a magistrate for Staffordshire. He was of Worcester college, Oxford, M.A. 1787, and was presented to Bushbury in 1800. He held for more than twenty years the office of deputy chairman of the Stafford Sessions, and had only recently resigned it [GENT.MAG]

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►William Lister c1805-1864 **1839-1864**
b c1805 Laugharne, Carms
m 1 May 1839 Bushbury: Catherine Davenhill; (aged 57, b Wolverhampton) 1861 C
d *aged 59* 15 Feb 1864 "The Vicarage", Bushbury; i 19 Feb 1864 Bushbury; M.I. (one in graveyard, one in chancel)
(ordained deacon by Llandaff) 1833
(ordained priest) 1834
(aged 24+, as a ten-year man, admitted sizar at Queens, Cambridge) 27 Jun 1835 [VENN]
(Vicar, Roath, Glams) 1838
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1839-d
- (appointed) 31 Dec 1839
- (aged 56, b Laugharne, Carms, of "Vicarage", Bushbury "Vicar of Busbury") 1861 C
(Rural Dean, Brewood, Staffs) ?1851-a20 Apr 1863
- (in office) 1851 [WHITE]
(Chaplain to the Earl of Beverley) 1853-d
(author of PHYSICO-PROPHETICAL ESSAYS, London) 1861
[SIMMS]

PHYSICO-PROPHETICAL ESSAYS:—On the Locality of the Eternal Inheritance; its Nature and Character; the Resurrection Body ; and the Mutual Recognition of Glorified Saints. By the Rev. W. LISTER, F.G.S., Vicar of Bushbury, and Rural Dean. Post 8vo.
In the press. [INTERNET]

►Alfred Phillips 1802-1880 **1864-1867**
b 4 Mar 1802 London *2nd son of Sir Richard Phillips Knight*
d *aged 78* 10 Jun 1880 Stalbridge Rectory, Dorset
(aged 18, admitted pensioner at Jesus, Cambridge) 14 Jun 1820
(educated privately)

(matriculated) Michs 1820
(admitted at Lincoln's Inn) 27 Dec 1821
(Scholar) 1821
(Exhibitioner) 1823
(B.A., 28th Wrangler) 1824
(ordained deacon by Chichester) 1832
(ordained priest) 1832
(Vicar, Kilmersdon, Soms) 1833-49
(M.A.) 1837
(Head Master, Crewkerne Grammar School) 1838
(Principal, Isle of Man King William's College) 1839-41
(B.D. & D.D., Trinity College, Dublin) 1841
(First Principal, Cheltenham College) 1841-4
(Principal, Henwick House School, Worcester) 1845-63
(incorporated at Cambridge) 1864
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1864-7
(subsequently sometime resident in Demerara and Lecturer at Christ Church, Georgetown, British Guiana)

►Henry Fleming Baxter c1838-?1916 **1867-1871**
b c1838 *2nd son of James Baxter of Ludlow, Salop armiger*
m Ann M. .....; (aged 27, b Worcester) 1871 C
[? d aged 78 cNov 1916 Brentford RD]
(aged 19, matriculated from Brasenose, Oxford) 19 Jun 1857 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1860
(M.A.) 1864
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1868-71
- (aged 32, b Ludlow, Salop, of "Vicarage", Bushbury "Vicar of Bushbury") 1871 C
(Vicar, Sibdon, Salop) 1886
chn: James F. Baxter (aged 7m, b Busbury) 1871 C

►Matthew Butterworth Moorhouse 1840-?1925 **1872-1880**
b 6 Jul 1840 *1st son of Joshua Moorhouse of Holmfirth, Yorks J.P.*
m 12 Nov 1868 Jane dau of William Sidebottom of Etherod House, Cheshire J.P.
[? d aged 84 cMay 1925 Bath RD]
(educated at Wesley College, Sheffield)
(aged 17, matriculated from Queen's College, Oxford) 18 Mar 1858 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1862
(M.A.) 1864
(Stipendiary Curate, Tintwhistle, Cheshire) 1863—8
(Perpetual Curate, Hepworth, Yorks) 1868—70
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1872—80
(Vicar, Canterbury St Mary Bredin) 1880—8
(Vicar, South Lyncombe St Luke, Bath) 1888
(author, religous works, poetry etc)
[SIMMS]

►Henry Knight Eaton c1821-1882 **1881-1882**
b c1821 Swansea
m1 5 Aug 1847 Swansea: Hephzibah Anna 5th dau of John Paddon of Truro
m2 Julia M. .....; (aged 50, b ?Bitton, Glos) 1881 C
i *aged 62* 9 Jan 1883 Bushbury
(Stipendiary Curate, Swansea) 1865-7
(Stipendiary Curate, Clifford St Paul) 1867-8
(Stipendiary Curate, Shrewsbury St Chad) 1868-72
- (aged 50, b Swansea, of Cadogan Place, Shrewsbury "Curate of St Chad") 1871 C
(Vicar, Stafford Christ Church) 1872-81
- (aged 60, b Swansea, of Christ Church Vicarage, Stafford "Vicar of Christ Church") 1881 C
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1881-d
(author)
[SIMMS]
chn: Jane Lewis Eaton (aged 20) 1871 C
[2] Harold Eaton

Julia Eaton
Norman W. Eaton
Bertram Eaton
Genevieve Eaton
Gretchen Eaton

►Frederick Aston c1856-.... **1883-1903**
b c1856 Bollington, Cheshire
m Emmeline .....; (aged 35, b Darlaston, Staffs) 1891 C
(at London College of Divinity) 1875
(ordained deacon) 1879
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1880
(Stipendiary Curate, Penn Fields St Philip, Staffs) 1879-80
(Stipendiary Curate, Clifton Christ Church with Emmanuel, Bristol) 1880-1
(Stipendiary Curate, Cheltenham, St Luke) 1881-3
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1883-1903
- (aged 35, b Bollington, Cheshire, of Bushbury Vicarage, "Vicar of Bushbury") 1891 C
- (exchanged) 1903
(Vicar, Poole St Paul, Dorset) 1903-1912
- (by exchange) 1903
(Vicar, Hurdsfield Holy Trinity) 1912-9
((in retirement of "Fairhaven", Yarmouth Road, Oulton Broad, nr Lowestoft) 1935
chn: Reginlald G. Aston
Emmeline Aston

►Denis Charles O'Connor c1872-.... **1903-1914**
(Vicar, Poole St Paul, Dorset) ....-1903
- (exchanged) 1903
(Vicar, Bushbury-cum-Essington, Staffs) 1903-14
- (by exchange) 1903

►Percy Illott c1885-.... **1914-1919**
(Vicar, Bushbury-cum-Essington, Staffs) 1914-9

►Josiah Thomas Crathorne 1885-1955 **1919-....**
b 1885 Bridlington
d Oct 1955
(at Fitzwilliam Hall, Cambridge) 1912
(ordained deacon) 1916
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1917
(Stipendiary Curate, Wolverhampton St James, Staffs) 1916-9
(Stipendiary Curate, in charge, Bushbury-cum-Essington, Staffs) 1917-9
(Vicar, Bushbury-cum-Essington, Staffs) 1919-34
(Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs) 1934-

[Bushbury] Following his death in October 1955 a memorial window was installed in the north aisle of the church by parishioners and friends in grateful remembrance. (This replaced the window to Edward Banks, architect of the 1853 rebuilding of the church.)

Assistant Clergy

►Edward Davies e1586-.... **1626**
(Reader, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (as Usher of Brewood Free School, admitted "to read public prayers in parish church of Bushbury") 13 Jan 1626

►Richard Higgs e1695-.... **1735**
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (signed parish register) 1 Sep 1735

►**Robert Gilbert (Vicar of Dilhorne, Staffs) c1677-1749** **1738-1744**
b c1677 son of Robert Gilbert of Uttoxeter, Staffs "furrier"
i *as Rev. Robert of Shareshill* 5 Mar 1748.9 Shareshill
(aged 18, admitted sizar at Caius, Cambridge) 3 Jun 1695 [VENN]
(educated at Uttoxeter, Staffs under Mr Bladen)
(educated at Dilhorne, Staffs under Mr Pointon)
(matriculated) 1695
(B.A.) 1699.1700
(aged 32, ordained priest by Lichfield, to title of Shareshill, Staffs) 27 Sep 1709
(Stipendiary Curate, Shareshill, Staffs) 27 Sep 1709-....
(Vicar, Dilhorne, Staffs) c1732-d
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (signed parish register) 13 Aug 1738-26 Aug 1744

►**John Darwall 1731-1789** **1757**
b 27 Dec 1731 PR; c 13 Jan 1731.2 Haughton *1st son of Randle Darwall c1703-1777* ***[SCD]***
m1 16 Nov 1758 Bushbury: Mary Fox; [? b 1735 Sheriff Hales; d Sep 1765]
m2 4 Nov 1766 Beoley, Worcs: Mary Whateley; b 1738; d 1825; (author of ORIGINAL POEMS, published) 1764 [SIMMS]; (ran a printing press with her husband and wrote songs for his congregation)
d 18 Dec 1789 "The Vicarage", Walsall; i Walsall
(educated at Manchester Grammar School) 5 Aug 1748-.... [MANCHESTER GS]
(exhibitioner)
(aged 20, matriculated from Brasenose, Oxford) 12 May 1752 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 27 Feb 1756
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 19 Sep 1756
(Stipendiary Curate, Haughton, Staffs) 20 Sep 1756
- (appointed) 20 Sep 1756
- (conducted marriage services at Haughton) 6 Dec 1756 and 3 Nov 1757
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (ordained priest by Lichfield to title of Bushbury) 25 Sep 1757
(Stipendiary Curate, Walsall St Matthew, Staffs) 1761-9
(Vicar, Walsall St Matthew, Staffs) 26 Sep 1769-d
- (presented by Charles Henry Coote 7th Earl of Mountrath c1725-1802 [CP])
- (instituted) 26 Sep 1769
(author of a pamphlet "Political Lamentations written in the years 1775 and 1776 to which is annexed a political sermon preached in the parish church of Walsall" [copy in SRO D3778/15/1]
(composed a tune "Darwall's 148th" for "Ye Holy Angels Bright" and "Rejoice the Lord is King")
(had a descendant Captain G.C. Darwall fl.1908) [D3778/15/1]
chn: John Darwall b 13 May 1761[sic] [SIMMS]; c 24 May 1760 Trysull **[SCD]**
Randle Darwall c 7 Oct 1762 St Matthew, Walsall; 1772 w
William Darwall c 29 Oct 1763 St Matthew, Walsall; 1772 w
Honor Darwall c 12 Nov 1764 St Matthew, Walsall; 1772 w
[2] Leicester Yonge Darwall c 22 Oct 1767 St Matthew, Walsall; 1772 w
Charles Henry Darwall c 14 Dec 1769 St Matthew, Walsall; 1772 w
Harriet Darwall c 8 Mar 1771 St Matthew, Walsall; 1772 w
Elizabeth Darwall b 19 Jan 1779 Walsall; d 5 Aug 1851; i Shrewsbury; (author of THE STORM And Other Poems, published) 1810 [SIMMS]

He was Curate of the Church, and was made Vicar in 1769. He was the author of a book entitled "Discourse on Spiritual Improvement from Affliction." It was printed in Walsall by F. Milward, in 1789, and is dedicated to the Earl of Mountrath, from whom the author had experienced the most generous kindness and the tenderest humanity in his afflicted state. He was a good musician, and his name survives in a favorite hymn tune. He died at the Vicarage on December 18th, 1789, and was interred in the "New Burial Ground". [WILLMORE (1887)]

John Darwall was an accomplished amateur musician. The work for which he will be remembered is music for Psalm 148 which was composed and sung at the inauguration of a new organ at his church in 1773. He was also a poet and some of his work was published in the Gentleman's magazine. He died in December 1789, having spent his whole career in Walsall.

►***John Landor c1737-1806*** ***1760***
b c1737 *2nd son of Robert Landor of Rugeley, Staffs Esquire c1706-1781* ***[SLG]*** *and Mary*

dau of Walter Noble of Chorley in Farewell, Staffs Esquire c1660-.... ***[SLG]***
m 11 Feb 1773 Stafford St Mary: Bridget Hickin
d 1806; Will *Clerk of Rugeley, Staffs* (PCC) 8 Nov 1806
(aged 18, matriculated from Magdalen Hall, Oxford) 8 Feb 1755 [FOSTER]
(migrated to St Alban Hall, Oxford)
(of St Alban Hall, Oxford, ordained deacon by Lichfield) 24 Jun 1759
(Stipendiary Curate, Darlaston St Lawrence, Staffs)
- (appointed) 25 Jun 1759
(ordained priest by Lichfield, to title of Bushbury) 21 Sep 1760
[? (Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1760]
(Rector, Peckleton, Leics) 14 Nov 1764-a13 Apr 1768
- (presented by Elizabeth Van widow)
- (instituted) 14 Nov 1764
(Rector, Colton, Staffs) 19 Oct 1767-d
- (presented by his father Robert Landor of Rugeley, Staffs Esquire c1706-1781)
- (admitted) 19 Oct 1767
chn: Ann Landor c 16 Dec 1773 Colton
John Landor c 16 Feb 1775 Colton
Robert Landor c 7 Feb 1776 Colton; i 8 Feb 1776 Colton
Elizabeth Landor c 7 Feb 1776 Colton; i 8 Feb 1776 Colton
William Landor b 28 Nov 1776; c 29 Nov 1776 Colton
Mary Landor c 1 Dec 1777 Colton
Elizabeth Landor c 27 Nov 1780 Colton
Walter Landor b 10 Jun 1782; c 13 Jun 1782 Colton
Sarah Landor b 9 Oct 1783; c 19 Oct 1783 Colton
Robert Landor b 5 Dec 1784; c 7 Dec 1784 Colton
Thomas Landor c 7 May 1786 Colton

►John Greaves 1741-.... **1764-?1769**
c 6 Aug 1741 Trysull *son of George Greaves c1707-....* ***[SCD]*** *and Mary (.....)*
(aged 17, matriculated from Christ Church, Oxford) 1 Feb 1759 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1762
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 18 Mar 1764
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (appointed) 19 Mar 1764
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 5 Jul 1767
(Perpetual Curate, Kenley, Salop)
- (licenced) 7 Oct 1769
- (in office) 9 Jul 1775

"[Thomas Fletcher] Appointed ... but after only one year suffered a mental breakdown from which he never recovered. He resigned[???] and died in 1800; buried at Tutbury 1.2.1800. During the years of his illness his work was carried out by his curates, first Thomas [recte, John] Greaves, then from 1770, William Jones, who was also Vicar of Wednesfield and a Prebendary of St.Peter's Wolverhampton. He died in May 1793, and his successor, John Clare, curate of Pattingham, was appointed vicar in 1800." [INTERNET]

►William Jones c1740-1793 **1770-1793**
d a26 Mar 1793; Will *Clerk of Bushbury* (PCC) 14 Jan 1795
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 4 Sep 1770-d
- (appointed/licenced) 4 Sep 1770
(Perpetual Curate, Wednesfield St Thomas, Staffs) 5 Jun 1777-d
- (appointed) 5 Jun 1777
- (presented by John Gough)
- (licenced) 5 Jun 1778
(Reader, Wolverhampton -----, Staffs) 12 Feb 1780-d
- (appointed to "King's Free Chapel", Wolverhampton) 12 Feb 1780
(Reader, Wolverhampton Hilton, Staffs) ....-d
[? TWO DIFFERENT READERSHIPS]

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Wolverhampton. He died in May 1793, and his successor, John Clare, curate of Pattingham, was appointed vicar in 1800." [INTERNET]

John Clare c1765-1838 **1793-1800**
[see above]

►Thomas Walker c1795-1861 **1818**
b c1795 *son of Thomas Walker c1763-1834* ***[SCD]***
m 1 Aug 1829 Tettenhall: Elizabeth dau of Richard Fryer of Wolverhampton, Staffs banker (M.P.); (aged 64, b Willenhall) 1861 C
d 14 Jun 1861
(aged 18, matriculated from University College, Oxford) 25 Jan 1813 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1816
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (licenced) 13 Jan 1818
(ordained priest by Chester *pro* Lichfield) 10 Sep 1818
(Stipendiary Curate, Shareshill, Staffs) 11 Feb 1819
- (licenced) 11 Feb 1819
(Prebendary, Wolverhampton Featherstone, Staffs) 26 Mar 1819-d
- (presented by Hon. Henry Lewis Hobart 1774-1846 *qua* Dean of Wolverhampton)
- (instituted) 26 Mar 1819
(M.A.) 1820
(of Merridale House, Wolverhampton) 1832-40
(Rector, Abbots Morton, Worcs) 1840-d
- (aged 53, b Wolverhampton, of "Rectory", Abbots Morton) 1851 C
- (aged 66, b Wolverhampton, of "Rectory", Abbots Morton) 1861 C

►George Boodle Clare 1799-1859 **1824-1825**
b Pattingham; c 13 Feb 1799 Bushbury *1st son of John Clare 1765-1838* ***[SCD]*** *and Mary (.....)*
m Mary Jane ?Brealey; (aged 55, b Handsworth) 1851 C
d 16 Nov 1859; M.I. (Shareshill) [below]
(aged 19, matriculated from Worcester, Oxford) 19 Oct 1819 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1823
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (licenced) 10 Jan 1824 & 13 Jun 1824
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 13 Jun 1824
(Perpetual Curate, Shareshill, Staffs) 28 Jan 1825-d
- (subscribed on appointment) 28 Jan 1825
- (aged 52, b Pattingham, of Shareshill "Perpl Curate Shareshill") 1851 C
(Stipendiary Curate, in charge, Wolverhampton St George, Staffs)
- (licenced) 10 Dec 1830
[NOT (Vicar, Bushbury, Staffs, in office) 18 May 1830 [CCEd]]
(Perpetual Curate/Vicar, Wolverhampton St George, Staffs) 23 Dec 1835-a1854
- (licenced as Perpetual Curate[sic]) 23 Dec 1835
- (in office, as Vicar[sic]) 1851 [WHITE]
- (replaced in office) a1854
(said to have lived at Saredon, then The Elms, Shareshill and finally in the vicarage built in 1845)

(Wolverhampton St George) The living is a vicarage, in the patronage of the Bishop of Lichfield, and incumbency of the Rev GB Clare, BA, who is assisted by the Revs PS Desprez and R Blincoe, curates." [WHITE 1851]

(Shareshill chancel) In memory of George Boodle Clare B.A. Thirty four years incumbent of this Parish. He died November 16th 1859 Aged 60 Years.

►Watkin Evans c1808-.... **1831-1833**
(at St David's College, Lampeter)
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 6 Nov 1831
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
[??? - (in office) 18 May 1830]
- (licenced) 6 Nov 1831 & 20 Jan 1833

(ordained priest by Lichfield) 20 Jan 1833

►Samuel Henry Beamish 1821-1900 **1849-1852**
b 12 Jun 1821 *son and heir of Henry Hamilton (Vicar of Kinsale and Incumbent of Trinity Chapel, London)*
unm.
d *aged 78* 11 Jan 1900 Torquay; M.I. (window) (Bexley)
(admitted pensioner at Trinity, Cambridge) 3 Jul 1841 [VENN]
(migrated to Clare, Cambridge) 1 Oct 1841
(matriculated) Michs 1841
(B.A.) 1845
(ordained deacon) 1845
(ordained priest by Worcester) 1846
(Stipendiary Curate, Bidford, Worcs) 1845-7
(Stipendiary Curate, Hathern, Leics) 1847-9
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1849-52
(British Chaplain, Madras, India) 1852-5
(Chaplain, Bengal Ecclesiastical Establishment, India) 1855-78
(Stipendiary Curate, Chelsea Christ Church) 1878-9
(Vicar, Lamorbey, Kent) 1878-1900
(in retirement of Abbey Hill, near Bexley)

►John Bird c1825-?1894 **c1860**
b c1825 Devon *son of John Bird*
[? d cFeb 1894 Barrow-upon-Soar RD]
(self-educated)
(aged 26, admitted at Trinity College, Dublin) 17 Nov 1851
(B.A.) 1856
(ordained deacon) 1857
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1858
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) c1860
(Stipendiary Curate, Peterborough St John) 1862
(M.A.) 1863
(incorporated at Cambridge) 1865
(Rector, Walton-le-Wolds, Leics) 1873-d

Joseph Westbury (Vicar of Hartshill, Staffs) c1837-?1890 **1866-1887**
[? d *aged 52* cNov 1890 Newcastle RD, Staffs]
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1861
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1861-5
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1862
(Stipendiary Curate, in charge, Hartshill, Staffs) 1865-6
(Perpetual Curate/Vicar, Hartshill, Staffs) 1866-87

►William Henry Hooper 1841-1874 **1869-1874**
b Littleton, Hants; c 8 Aug 1841 ----- *son of William Nixon clerk and Lucy (-----)*
d Sep 1874
(educated at Uppingham)
(admitted pensioner at St John's, Cambridge) 3 Jun 1861 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1861
(B.A.) 1865
(Assistant Master, Holt Gresham's Grammar School) 1865-7
(First Assistant Master, Wolverhampton Grammar School, Staffs) 1868
(M.A.) 1868
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1869
(ordained priest) 1870
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1869-d

►William Sweet Escott LATER Sweet-Escott 1841-1913 **1870**
b 14 Sep 1841
m 8 Feb 1866 Louisa Dunn dau of Robert Bond
d 13 Mar 1913

(educated at Foyle College, Londonderry)
(M.A., Trinity College, Dublin)
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs)
- (in office) 1870 [CLERGY LIST]
(Stipendiary Curate, Blakenall Heath, Staffs)
- (aged 29, b Great ?Rissington, Glos, of Blaknall, Curate of Blaknall) 1871 C
(Rector, Brompton Ralph, Soms) 1884-9
(Rector, Penarth, ?Glams) 1889-98
(J.P.)
(inherited Hartrow Manor, Soms from his first cousin Anna Sweet-Escott)
chn: Robert Bond Sweet-Escott b 1866; d *in infancy*
William Sydney Rice Sweet-Escott
Ralph Bond Sweet-Escott b 11 Jan 1869
Louisa Dunn Sweet-Escott
George Sweet-Escott b c1871; d *in infancy*
Aldred Bickham Sweet-Escott
Mary Salome Hay Sweet-Escott b 5 Dec 1874
Margaret Hay Sweet-Escott
Cecil Londsford Sweet-Escott
Edward Rice Sweet-Escott b 27 Jul 1879 Brompton Ralph
Editha Lucy Sweet-Escott b 17 Oct 1880
Florence Emily Sweet-Escott b 25 Jan 1882
Horace Hay Sweet-Escott b 24 Sep 1883
Thomas Rice Sweet-Escott
Anna Isabella Sweet-Escott b 19 Jul 1887
Talbot Sweet-Escott b 17 Nov 1888
Hay Sweet-Escott b 1889; d *in infancy*

►Joseph Morton c1844-.... **1872-1880**
(at St Bees Theological College) 1866
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1868
(Stipendiary Curate, Fenton, Staffs) 1868-72
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1869
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1872-80
(Vicar, Wetton, Staffs) 1880-4
- (presented by Edward Algernon Blackett of Wylam, Northumbs gentleman 1824-1873 [SLG])

►Joshua William Theophilus Owen 1849-1917 **1875-1876**
b cFeb 1849 Kings Norton RD *3rd son of David Owen of Smethwick, Staffs gentleman*
d *aged 68* 1917 Stafford RD
(aged 19, matriculated non-collegiate at Oxford) 4 Feb 1869 [FOSTER]
(S.C.L. & B.A.) 1873
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1873
(Stipendiary Curate, Wolverhampton St John, Staffs) 1873-5
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1874
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1875-6
(Vicar, Forebridge, Staffs) 1876-?d
(M.A.) 1880

►Thomas Dean Lawton 1863-1946 **1916-1920**
b cAug 1863 Macclesfield RD
d *aged 83* 1946 Macclesfield RD
(at Sarum Theological College)
(ordained deacon by Manchester) 1903
(Stipendiary Curate, Audenshaw, Lancs) 1903-8
(ordained priest by Manchester) 1905
(Stipendiary Curate, Burslem St Paul, Staffs) 1909-15
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury-cum-Essington, Staffs) 1916-20
(Vicar, Brown Edge, Staffs) 1920-44
(in retirement of "Oriel", Ecton Avenue, Macclesfield)

►Richard Philip Cavendish c1901-.... **1924-1927**

(at Fitzwilliam Hall, Cambridge)
(B.A.) 1922
(M.A.) 1926
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury-cum-Essington, Staffs) 1924-7
(Vicar, Essington, Staffs) 1934

►**Francis Samuel Lloyd Ramsden 1912-....** **1937-1941**
b 1912
(at Cambridge University) 1928
(at London College of Divinity) 1931
(ordained deacon by Southwark) 1935
(Stipendiary Curate, West Streatham St James) 1935-7
(ordained priest by Southwark) 1936
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1937-41
(Stipendiary Curate, Wednesbury St Bartholomew, Staffs) 1941-5
(Vicar, Brown Edge, Staffs) 1945-50
(Vicar, Stretton-cum-Wetmoor, Staffs) 1950-8
(Surrogate) 1954-77
(Vicar, Trentham, Staffs) 1958-77
(Rural Dean, Trentham, Staffs) 1963-77
(Prebendary, Lichfield -----) 1969-77
(Prebendary Emeritus, Lichfield -----) 1977-....
(permission to officiate in the diocese of Birmingham) 1977-....

►**Keith Philip Hallett 1937-....** **1968-1971**
b 1937
(Stipendiary Curate, Bushbury, Staffs) 1968-71
(Priest-in-charge, Drayton Bassett, Staffs) 1971-2
(Vicar, Fazeley, Staffs) 1971-90
(Rector, Drayton Bassett, Staffs) 1972-90
(Priest-in-charge, Hints, Staffs) 13 Feb 1978-83
- (appointed) 13 Feb 1978 [INTERNET]
(Stipendiary Curate, in charge, Canwell, Staffs) 1978-83
(Rural Dean, Tamworth, Staffs) 1981-90
(Vicar, Canwell, Staffs) 1983-90
(Vicar, Hints, Staffs) 1983-13 Mar 1990
- (resigned) 13 Mar 1990 [INTERNET]

Chantry Priests

►**Humphrey Fletcher e1489-....** **1529**
(Chantry Priest *pro* Our Lady's Service *at* Bushbury)
- (in office) 1529

COMPARE
http://www.localhistory.scit.wlv.ac.uk/articles/bushbury/churchrectors.htm

Ralph Purcel	1236
Roger de Bushbury	c.1300
Hugh de Bushbury	1316
William de Sheppeye	1338
William Werlescroft	Noted 1369,1374, and 1397 in Old Fallings deeds from Paget family in Wolverhampton R.L.
John Alleyn	1410
William Ferrour	temp. Edward IV 1461-1483
Henry Slane	noted 1529
Richard Edwardes	appointed 17.5.1546; resigned 1558
Richard Willson	appointed 4.5.1558; died 1567

Francis Colleyappointed 20.3.1567/8; died August 1626; a total of 58 years, although at the time of his burial the Register says 38 years.

Samuel Smith appointed 15.9.1626; resigned September 1631.
Ham(b)lett BourneBorn 1595. Pupil at Wolverhampton Grammar School then at Queen's College Oxford 1612, BA.1616, MA.1619. Curate of Darlaston 1620. Schoolmaster of Brewood. Appointed Vicar of Bushbury 17.9.1631.
William Chandlerappointed 7.8.1641. Vicar of Brewood since 1634. Buried Bushbury 26.5.1684.
William PeakeBorn 1657, son of John Peake of Elnor, Staffs. Appointed 1684 .Married Elizabeth Persehouse of Gornal. Buried at Bushbury 17.1.1691.
Thomas Hall Noted 1693-1726. Also Prebend of St.Peter's Wolverhampton. Buried at Wolverhampton 16.9.1729
Seth Shepherd Appointed 1729. Vicar of Shifnal 1728.
Richard Nocke Appointed 1748. Born 1704, son of John Nocke of Oldington Salop. Buried at Bushbury, 18.5.1757.
Jeremiah Whitehouse Appointed 1757. Son of Edward Whitehouse of Wolverhampton. Resigned 1765.
Thomas FletcherBorn 1732, son of John Fletcher of Tutbury, Appointed 1765,but after only one year suffered a mental breakdown from which he never recovered. He resigned and died in 1800; buried at Tutbury 1.2.1800. During the years of his illness his work was carried out by his curates, first Thomas Greaves, then from 1770, William Jones, who was also Vicar of Wednesfield and a Prebendary of St.Peter's Wolverhampton. He died in May 1793, and his successor, John Clare, curate of Pattingham, was appointed vicar in 1800.
John ClareBorn 1765, son of Timothy Clare of Bewdley. He was also incumbent of Wednesfield and a J.P. His son the Reverend George Boodle Clare became Vicar of Shareshill and later the first vicar of St. Georges, Wolverhampton. In 1827 John Clam was living in North Street, Wolverhampton, and later moved to the Deanery where he died in 1839. He was buried at Bushbury on July 16th.
William ListerAppointed 31.12 1839. Married Catherine Davenhill at Bushbury 1.5.1839. Buried at Bushbury 19.2.1864 aged 59. A monument stands on the south side of the churchyard, and there is a memorial to him on the north wall of the chancel.
Alfred Phillips 1864-1867
H. Fleming Baxter 1867-1871
Matthew Butterworth MoorhouseAppointed 1872, formerly of Tintwhistle Cheshire and Hepworth, Yorks. Author of minor verses etc. see British Library Catalogue. Oxford friend of Walter Pater.
Henry Knight EatonAppointed 1881, formerly Vicar of St. Chad's Shrewsbury, and Christ Church Stafford. Buried at Bushbury 9.1.1883 aged 62.
Fredrick AstonAppointed 1883. In 1903 exchanged livings with his successor Vicar of St. Paul's Poole Dorset.
Dennis O'Connor Appointed 1903
Percy Illott Appointed 1914. Resigned through ill-health 1919 and was succeeded by his curate.
Josiah Thomas Crathorne Born in Bridlington,1885. Went to Fitzwilliam Hall Cambridge,1912. Ordained, 1916 and appointed assistant curate at St. James, Wolverhampton. In 1917 he was asked by Bishop Kempthorne to take charge of the parish of Bushbury with Essington during the continuing illness of the vicar. Following the resignation of the Rev. Percy Illot in 1919, he was persuaded to accept the incumbancy. In the post war years Mr. Crathorne was instrumental in extending the work of the church in the ever expanding population of the parish through the building of mission churches. Separate parishes were formed at Oxley in 1832 and at Essington in 1933. Following his death in October 1955 a memorial window was installed in the north aisle of the church by parishioners and friends in grateful remembrance. This replaced thw indow to Edward Banks, architect of the 1853 rebuilding of the church.